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Mr. A. B. SHETTY :—"May I know whether such veterinary subordinates are given a scale of Rs. 100 to 300 in the Punjab and Rs. 60 to 140 in Bombay ?"

The hon. Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR :—"It may be so."

Free quarters or house rent allowances for veterinary assistants.

*870 Q.—Mr. A B. SHETTY : Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state—

(a) whether the privilege of free quarters or of allowance for house-rent in the absence of Government quarters has been taken away from the veterinary assistants in charge of the veterinary hospitals and dispensaries ; and

(b) if so, whether the Government will be pleased to restore to them these privileges ?

A.—(a) Yes, on the recommendation of the Retrenchment Committee.
(b) No.

Mr. A. B. SHETTY :—"In consideration of the fact that the veterinary subordinates here enjoy no private practice worth the name, may I request the hon. the Minister to consider whether the privilege of free quarters cannot be restored to these veterinary subordinates ?"

The hon. Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR :—"It is not only for a single department. If the claims of the department are considered the requirements of other departments should also be taken into consideration. The question is a general one, and, if at all, should be examined as a whole."

Stoppage of increments to subordinates of the Civil Veterinary department.

*871 Q.—Mr. A. B. SHETTY : Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state—

(a) whether some of the subordinates in the Civil Veterinary department have been denied their increments even when they were recommended by their immediate superior officers, viz., the Circle officers, and whether in some cases these increments have been granted only after a period of five or six months after the due date ;

(b) if so, how many have been made to suffer in this way ;

(c) whether in any of these cases the increments were withheld on account of some minor faults for which separate punishments had already been given ; and

(d) whether it is the policy of the Government to punish the subordinates more than once for one and the same fault ?

A.—(a) & (b) There were four cases in which increments, though recommended by the Circle officers, were stopped for unsatisfactory work. In these cases the recommendations of the Circle officers were inconsistent with their previous reports on the work of these men.
(c) No.
(d) No.